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Description: 1 item - Ex libris Sir Thomas Phillipps. Purchased from Bernard Quaritch, Ltd., on the James Marshall and Marie-Louise Osborn Fund, 2000.

Notes: -Manuscript, on parchment, in a single secretary hand, of a copy of the will of Sir John Fitzjames. The will opens with an appeal to "the most blessed Mother and virgyn Marie St. Anthony and St. Chr[ist]ofer" for their intercession for his soul; arrangements for funeral and intercessory Masses and for a Month's Mind service. The extremely detailed lists of personal and estate bequests that follow comprise a virtual household inventory of the manor house at Redlynch in Somerset. His widow, Eleanor Draycott, receives liferent of Redlynch and Knoll as well as use of the household furnishings, including the beds, hangings, "carpettes, cussyons, dysshes, potts, and pannes," as well as tablecloths, jewelry, and various articles of plate. Fitzjames also leaves "my greate book of Statutes in vellum or parchment" to his cousin Nicholas Fitzjames, the nearest male heir and successor to Redlynch; silver cups to various other relatives; and ten shillings for "every mayden of good and honest conversation" in his household.

Number of Parts: 1 - *Number of Images Available:* 0

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Language: English; Latin *Century:* 16th

Part 1:

Description: - 51 cm. x 65 cm.

Country:

Cardinal point:

Region:

City:

Assigned Date: 1539 Oct 23.

Searchable Date Range: 1539 - 1539

Dated by scribe: No

Inscribed Date:

Document: No

Number of Scribes:

Notes: With: 3 documents on parchment concerning James Fitzjames. (1) Indenture transferring revenues and fees inherited from Sir John Fitzjames in the county of Somerset, signed and dated 26 June 1568. (2) Indenture concerning the same, signed and dated 26 June 1570. (3) Attestation of probate of a will for a member of the Fitzjames family in the Prerogative Court of Canterbury, signed by the Clerk Thomas Argall and issued in the name of Archbishop Cranmer, n.d. (damaged). With: volume of manuscript transcripts of three of the documents made for Sir Thomas Phillipps, with genealogical notes on the Fitzjames family.

Number of Texts: 1

Text 1:

Author: Fitzjames, John Sir 1470?-1542?.

Title: [Will], 1539 Oct 23.

Subjects: Draycott, Eleanor.; Fitzjames, John, Sir, 1470?-1542?.; Fitzjames family.; Catholics--England.; Decedents' estates--England.; Inheritance and succession--England.; Manors--England.; Material culture--England.; Prayers for the dead.; Saints--Cult.; Wills.;

Language(s): English; Latin